IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE WOODS et al. Application No.: 10/817,133 Application No.: 10/817,133 For: PROXIMITY MENISCUS MANIFOLD IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE Group Art Unit: 1763 Examiner: Culbert, Roberts P. Docket No.: LAM2P475 Date: March 31, 2006

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated March 22, 2006, the Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, group I, claims 1-9 and 17-20 (drawn to a fluid treatment apparatus), to prosecute in the above-identified patent application. The Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application covering the subject matter of the non-elected claims.

Applicants believe that no fees are required in the filing of this Response. However, if it is determined that any fees are required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-0805 (Order No. LAM2P475). Should the Examiner have any questions concerning this matter, the undersigned can be reached at the telephone number set out below.

Respectfully submitted,
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